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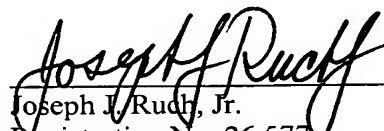
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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a translation of a Communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents (International Search Report for PCT/JP2002/008384 mailed October 8, 2002), indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office. Additionally, an English language abstract, submitted herewith, constitutes a concise statement of relevance for JP 60-190475.

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